

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of Lorraine LEITE, et al.	)	Confirmation No.:	2254
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Serial No.: 10/564,905	)	Group Art Unit:	4181
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Filing Date: January 17, 2006	)	Docket No.:	99342.00061
	)		
Title: Hydroxyapatite calcium phosphate granules, method for preparing same and uses thereof	)	Customer No.:	21832

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Dear Sir/Madam:

In response to the Election/Restriction Requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed on December 15, 2008, Applicant elects to prosecute the invention of **Group I, Claims 1-5 and 9-11.** This election is made without prejudice to Applicants' right to pursue coverage of the non-elected claim in a divisional application.

The elected claims are believed to be allowable over the prior art of record. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that this application be allowed and a Notice of Allowance issued. If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference with Applicants' attorney would be advantageous to the disposition of this case, the Examiner is cordially requested to telephone the undersigned. If the Examiner has any questions in connection with this paper, or otherwise if it would facilitate the examination of this application, please call the undersigned at the telephone number below.

No fees are believed to be required in connection with this paper. In the event the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks deems additional fees to be due in connection with this

application, Applicant's attorney hereby authorizes that such fee be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-3569.

Respectfully submitted,

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